

REMARKS

Applicant has carefully studied the outstanding Office Action in the present application. The present response is intended to be fully responsive to all points of rejection raised by the Examiner and is believed to place the application in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

Claims 374-734 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Hagen (US 09/832,679, publication no. 2002/0075844, hereinafter Hagen).

Hagen describes a system and method for providing ubiquitous public network access to wireless, portable terminals using private network access points and connections with the public network.

The applicant has amended independent claims 374, 495, 616 and 710 to more clearly define the system and method of the present invention, where the communication quality ameliorator provides a first interaction with at least one first device, the first interaction including at least BLUETOOTH® communication, and a second interaction with said at least one second device, said second interaction including at least BLUETOOTH® communication. Support for the amendments is found in the embodiments of Figs. 3 and 4 and in the specification as published in paragraphs 127, 128, 143 and 144.

Applicant respectfully submits that the system and method recited in the claims as amended, including a first interaction with at least one first device, the first interaction including at least BLUETOOTH® communication, and a second interaction with said at least one second device, said second interaction including at least BLUETOOTH® communication, is not shown or suggested by the prior art of record. Applicant respectfully submits that the ameliorator of the present invention provides intermediated communication between two devices, where the ameliorator communicates with both devices using a BLUETOOTH® communication path.

Applicant has also amended independent claim 663 to more clearly define the communication quality ameliorator of the present invention as including a content inspector operative to combat malicious content passing therethrough. Support for the amendment is found, inter alia, in the embodiment of Fig. 8C and in the

specification as published in paragraph 202.

Applicant respectfully submits that the communication quality ameliorator recited in claim 663 as amended including a content inspector, is not shown or suggested by the prior art of record.


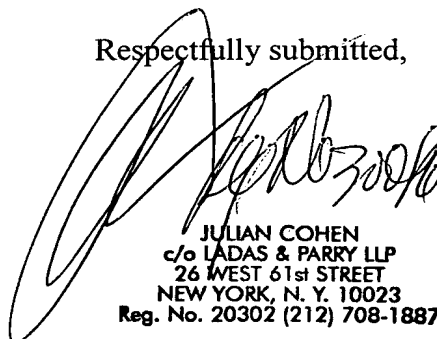
Applicant has also amended claims 401, 431, 434, 443 447, 474, 489, 522, 552, 555, 564, 568, 595, 610, 628, 643, 644, 650, 653, 668, 671, 674-675, 677, 680, 683, 686, 690-691, 683, 697, 700, 705, 711-718, 720-727 and 729-734 to more clearly define the present invention.

With reference to the above discussion, independent claims 374, 495, 616, 663 and 710 are deemed patentable over the prior art of record and favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested. Claims 375-494 depend directly or ultimately from claim 374 and recite additional patentable subject matter and therefore are deemed patentable. Claims 496-615 depend directly or ultimately from claim 495 and recite additional patentable subject matter and therefore are deemed patentable. Claims 617-662 depend directly or ultimately from claim 616 and recite additional patentable subject matter and therefore are deemed patentable. Claims 664-709 depend directly or ultimately from claim 663 and recite additional patentable subject matter and therefore are deemed patentable. Claims 711-734 depend directly or ultimately from claim 710 and recite additional patentable subject matter and therefore are deemed patentable.

Applicant reserves the right to pursue the claims as filed in the context of a continuation application.

In view of the foregoing, all of the claims are deemed to be allowable. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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